Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

Olmsted District FY06 EQIP

1. List the local resource concerns that EQIP can address:

Erosion Control, Water Quality, Wildlife Habitat, Forest Management, Grazing Systems

- 2. If applicable, list any geographic regions (i.e. watersheds, townships, etc.) and their respective resource concerns within the District to receive priority:
- 3. Any sub-watershed in Olmsted County selected by the Zumbro Watershed Partnership for accelerated land treatment will receive priority points under the additional local concerns as shown on the reverse side.
- 4. Prioritize and weight each local resource concern for the district. Weight must be between 1 and 10:

	Resource	
Factor	Priority	Weight
A1. Erosion Control	High	6
A2 Gully Control	High	8
B1 Water Resource	High	8
B2 Wastewater/CNMP	Medium	5
C Habitat Improvement	Low	3
D Air Quality	Low	2
E Impaired Water	Low	1
F Distance	Low	3
G Grazing System	Medium	5
H Forest Mgt.	Low	2
Additional Local*	Medium;High	7

^{*} If the additional local concern is scored, describe the concern here and how points will be scored. Include any geographic priorities.

See Reverse Side

- 5. Attach the scoring worksheet as recommended for the district.
- 6. List any recommended practices to be deleted from the state Conservation Practice Payment Document

Producers will not be eligible for incentive payments for Residue Management practice (329A/B/C) if the practice has been a component of the producer's conservation compliance plan

The local EQIP program description, cost-share docket changes, and ranking worksheet must be reviewed and approved by the State Conservationist before any EQIP contract is approved and signed.

This document serves as the Local Work Group recommendation for FY 06 EQIP. Attached is a roster of participation in the Local Work Group.

Chair, Local Work Group	Date

- An EQIP application that includes the NRCS Practice 328b Organic Conservation Crop Rotation will receive 6 pts. under Factor I – Additional Local Concern.
- An EQIP application that includes an NRCS Practice that is planned to comply with an Open Lot Agreement with MPCA will receive 6 pts. under Factor I - Additional Local Concern. Additional points will not be awarded under Factor I if these practices are components of NRCS Practice 784 – Wastewater and Feedlot Runoff Control.
- An EQIP application that includes the NRCS Practice 329A/B/C no-till or ridge till on a portion of the crop rotation will receive 4 pts. under Factor I – Additional Local Concern. Note: See Item 5 on page 1 for limitations on incentives for this practice.
- An EQIP application that includes the NRCS Practice 329A/B/C no-till or ridge till on the complete crop rotation will receive 6 pts. under Factor I – Additional Local Concern. Note: See Item 5 on page 1 for limitations on incentives for this practice.
- An EQIP application that includes the NRCS Practice 666 (Forest Stand Improvement) or 490 (Forest Site Preparation) will receive 4 pts. under Factor I – Additional Local Concern.
- An EQIP application that includes the NRCS Practice 340 (Cover Crop) will receive 4 pts. under Factor I – Additional Local Concern.
- An EQIP application that includes the NRCS Practice 351 (Well Decommissioning) will receive 4
 pts. under Factor I Additional Local Concern.
- An EQIP application that addresses erosion control or water quality concerns and is located within a sub-watershed selected by the Zumbro Watershed Partnership for accelerated land treatment will receive 6 pts. under Factor I – Additional Local Concern.

PARTICIPATION ROSTER OF EQIP LWG MEETING SEPT. 28, 2005

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